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CONTINUATION APPLICATION UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)

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Sir:

This is a request for filing a continuation/divisional application under 37 CFR 1.53(b), of pending prior application:

Serial No.: 09/876,572  
Filed on: June 7, 2001  
Entitled: PROCESS FOR THE MODIFICATION OF ELASTOMERS WITH  
SURFACE INTERPRENETRATING POLYMER NETWORKS AND  
ELASTOMERS FORMED THEREFROM  
Inventors: Yading Wang, Robert van Boxtel, Stephen Q. Zhou

1.  Enclosed is a copy of the latest inventor-signed specification of the prior application, including the oath or declaration as originally filed. I hereby verify that the papers are a true copy of the latest signed specification of the prior application number 09/876,572 filed June 7, 2001 and further that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like are made punishable by fine or imprisonment,

or both, under section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issuing thereon.

2.  The preliminary amendment is enclosed.

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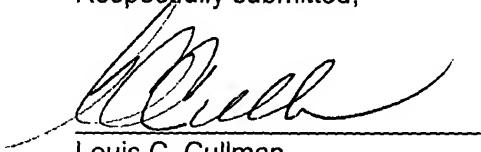
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